# ARGUMENT IN MEANS CASE DELAYS ITS GOING TO JURY

Three Lawyers Speak for Seven Hours-Nine Others to Be Heard.

TALKS MAY END TO-MORROW

Solicitor Clement Pleads for Verdict of First Degree Murder, Charging Defendant With Premeditated Killing of Mrs. King.

CONCORD, N. C., December 12 .- The State and defense having outlined their argument before the jury by three
members of counsel—one for the State
and two for the defense. Ten addresses
are yet to be heard—four for the State
and six for the defense. It is doubtful
be seen in "Redemption," an intense
story of mother love, being woven into
a stirring drama of life relentlessly
told. Saturday Harold Lockwood is to
be seen in "Paradise Garden." o-night that the argument can be completed to-morrow, even with a night session, and it is expected to be Frilay noon or later when the case goes

Opening the argument for the State n an address of one hour to-day, Soicitor Hayden Clement told the jury hat one of three verdicts must be prought in-first or second-degree murder or "not guilty"-and that the State asked for a verdict of first-degree murder. The State's contention as outkilled Mrs. King with premeditation. he motive lying in the alleged fact that during the two years he was her business agent he squandered and appropriated a large portion of her esate, and that the time was approachng when he would be called to ac-

### OSBORNE SAYS THERE WAS NO MOTIVE FOR CRIME

Judge Frank I. Osborne, in an address of more than three hours, opening the argument for the defense, outined the contention that Mrs. King shot herself accidentally when she, with pistol in hand, stumbled, fractured a one near the ankle, and in falling grasped the weapon so that it fired. He briefly touched upon the financial ransactions of the defendant as Mrs. King's business agent, and sought to show that all the funds which the State claims were misappropriated have the been accounted for. He contended that no motive for the alleged crime had been proved, and devoted a large portion of his argument to pointing out to the jury alleged conflicts and discontinuous and the following out to the jury alleged conflicts and discontinuous and the following the mount of this week, the engagement of the jury alleged conflicts and discontinuous and the mount of the provided that the standard for virility, action and to the jury alleged conflicts and dis-crepancies between the testimony of witnesses for the State and for the touches, and it pleases everyone. flicts and variances must necessarily create at least a reasonable doubt in the Woods," a spectateular fair fantasy with all of the charming episodes of the mind of the jury, and that under this famous story of childhood enacted the law such doubt must result in an in

He pointed out that the law requires for the basis of a verdict in civil actions only that a preponderance of the evidence be found on one side, but in criminal cases the State's evidence must be so strong as to be convincing of guilt beyond a "reasonable doubt" before a verdict of guilt is reached. CLEMENT CHARGES MEANS

DISSIPATED KING FORTUNE mother

Solicitor Clement, in his argument, stated that Mrs. King in 1906 had in her name assets of \$835,000, besides a life interest in a trust fund of \$400,000. In nine years prior to the time G. E. Means became connected with her affairs she spent only \$150,000, though living in Paris and traveling in Europe and America. Within one year after the defendant began handling her finances \$185,000 disappeared. He asserted that at the time of her death she had little more than \$10,000, in addition to her interest in the \$400,000

# AMERICAN LEAGUERS MEET: ACT ON WAR POLICY TO-DAY

Pavor Retention of Present Player Limit and Continuance of Spring Trips.

CHICAGO, December 12 .- After five-hour session club owners of the American League adjourned their annual meeting to-night until to-morrow

meeting with the American Leaguers will take the cath under Colonel Stern and Captain Bennett.

Is mustered into service to-morrow night in the Grays' Armory. The men will take the cath under Colonel Stern and Captain Bennett.

In addition to the unit of the unit of the player-limit companied to the unit of the unit

til the joint meeting Friday. The 1917 lery will be pennant was awarded to the Chicago ton to-day. club, and Charles A. Comiskey, president of the White Sox, was re-elected

vice-president of the league.

President Johnson said to-night that the sentiment of the club strongly favored retention of the present player-limit of twenty-five men and continuation of the usual spring train-

Onnosition to reducing the player limit came from Colonel Jacob Ruppert.

TWO FIRES IN DANVILLE Hub Clothing Company Suffers \$10,000 Loss—Furniture Company Slightly Damaged.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] DANVILLE, VA., December 12.—The Hub Clothing Company to-day suffered a \$10,000 loss from fire which origin-ated this morning in the basement of

its store here.

Another fire did slight damage to the Hodnett-Chesmes Furniture Com-pany this afternoon when a pile of mattresses ignited from a small oil

Both losses are understood to be very

nearly covered by insurance.

# Movie Calendar

ODEON — To-day, Geraldine Far-rar, in "The Woman God Forgot"; Friday, Evelyn Nesbit, in "Redemp-tion"; Saturday, Harold Lockwood, in "Paradise Garden." ISIS — To-day, Carlyle Blackwell, in "The Marriage Market"; Friday and Saturday, "Markuerite Clark, in "Bulo's Burgiar." BLIOU—To-des Veldes and Saturday

BIJOU—To-day, Friday and Satur-day, Constance Talmadge, in "Scan-dal."

dal."

COLONIAL — To-day, William S. Hart, in "The Silent Man"; Friday and Saturday, juveulle geniuses, in "The Babes Is the Woods."

BLUEBIRD — To-day, "The Silent Witness"; Friday, "The Stolen Treaty"; Saturday, blg variety program.

Geraldine Parrar at Odeon.
For her theme in "The Woman God Forgot" Jeanie MacPherson has taken

## "The Marriage Market" at Isla.

"The Marriage Market," in which Carlyle Blackwell, June Elvidge and Arthur Ashley are seen at the Isls Theater again to-day is a story of modern life, of love and money and of society. It tells of the manner in which Helen Grant marries to save her father

from financial disaster and how her sacrifice comes too late.

To-morrow and Saturday, Marguerite Clark will be presented in "Bab's Burglar," one of the every joyous "Sub-Deb" stories adapted to the screen from the delightful stories of Mary Roberts the delightful stories of Mary Roberts Rinehart. With this talented young star in such a feature the Isis should enjoy "big business" for the week-end. A Keystone comedy will be shown the same program.

## Constance Talmadge at Bijou.

Portraying the role of the spoiled girl in America, Constance Tal-madge as Beatrix Vanderdyke in "Scandal," the new select production. gives an exceedingly clever study of the pampered New York debutante, self-willed and high tempered, but strangely appealing in her moments of sweet-ness. The picture will be shown to-day to-morrow and Saturday at the Bijou Theater and promises to hit the high

water mark in popularity.

Naturally complications ensue and in

defense, as well as conflicts in the results of tests and demonstrations in
evidence. He argued that these conflicts and variances much because everyone.

To-morrow and t pleases everyone.

Carpenter and Virginia Lee Corbin, two
of the foremost of America's juvenile

pictures in a way that appeals to

# old and young alike. "Silent Witness" at the Binebird.

The feature at the Bluebird to-day will be "The Silent Witness," a pic-turization of the play of the same name, which had such a successful run in New York two years ago. The story con-cerns the trial of a young man who

## BLUE COMPANY MEMBERS NOW IN FEDERAL SERVICE

I weltth Company Will Be Inspected and Mustered-In To-Morrow Night

Members of the Blue Company, Coast Artillery, Virginia National Guard, were mustered into the Federal service last mustered into the Federal service last night in the Richmond Grays' Armory by Lieutenant-Colonel Jo Lane Stern. State inspector-general, and Captain E. E. Bennett, United States coast ar-tillery corps, of Fortress Monroe.

The compuny is composed almost en-tirely of Richmond men, and is 122 strong. There are 119 men on the company's roll who have passed the physi-cal examination, while three cullsted yesterday and have not yet been passed

upon by the doctors.
Louis Heindl, a former member o Company B. Richmond Light Infantry Blues, is captain of the company, while Herbert M. Harris and Pembrook Tayfor are first and second lieutenants, re

Recruiting in the Twelfth Company without taking definite action toward adopting a war policy. Questions of slashing the player limit, shertening progressing rapidly at this time, and the spring training trips and other recruits continue to pour in. At this war measures will be taken up tomorrow.

President Ban Johnson was advised to-day and to-morrow with which to by August Herrmann, chairman of the secure recruits, strenuous efforts will National Baseball Commission, that the be made to bring the company up to club owners of the National League the required strength of 123 before it who have been in session in New York. is mustered into service to-morrow

here Friday.

Routine affairs and brief discussion of the player-limit commanded the attention to-day. The directors reached an understanding in regard to a method for collecting the Federal war tax on passes, but withheld announcement until the joint meeting Friday. The 1917 till the joint meeting Friday.

Five infantry companies now in pro-cess of forming in this State will be cess of forming in this state will be inspected by Major Le Masurier this week—one at Galax and one in Roanoke to-morrow, and one at Petersburg and another at Alexandria on dates yet to be announced.

# LINER HITS NAVY LAUNCH; RESULTS IN TWO DEATHS!

Man Dies of Injuries and Another In Missing, Probably

Drowned. By Associated Press. 1 AN ATLANTIC PORT, December 12 .--One man was fatally injured and another is missing and probably drowned

in the harbor this morning, off the

steamer struck and sank a navy Nine men, including one line officer the launch, which was attempting to dock at the compress dock. The com-

men most certain that he was drowned. The others aboard, all rushed to hospitals, were: Lieutenant H. S. Benton.

One of the men, seriously injured in One of the men, seriously injured in the collision, and suffering from shock, died at a neval hospital this afternoon, but officers in charge declined to give out his name. The other, suffering merely from shock and exposure, will receover.

The room where the exhibition can be seen is on the third floor, where shelves are filled with rows and rows and still more rows of cauned articles. Every fruit and vegetable is represented.

Every fruit and vegetable is represented.

Besides the cans and jars of every description, there are bars of dried

## THREE FEARFULLY BURNED

By Associated Press. 1 AN ATLANTIC PORT, December 12.—
One man was fatally burned and two others in a critical condition at a naval hospital were scalded in a fire this morning that extensively damaged a heavy tuz.

Seventy-seven counties of the State are it as of new members. The twelve co treatment of the state are in the state are here displayed. One county has six whole sections of the commodious shelves filled.

It was in May that Mrs. Sale sent out the call to each chairman of the various chapters throughout the State to ask

Successtul.

forty-seven men who took Of forty-seven men who took the State bar examination here yesterday and Tuesday, the following nineteen have been reported as successful can have been reported as successful can have been reported as successful can. have been reported as successful candidates: J. T Bethel, Richmond; A. L. Rivins,

Newport News: Courtland H. Davis, Alexandria; C. W. Eastman, Saluda; Norman L. Flippen, Richmond; L. O. Norman L. Flippen, Michmond: L. O. production showed an increase of Harrison, Norfolk: Virnal C. Hodges, 1,900,000 tons. There were 575 accidents Norfolk: Richard Lee Lindsay, Lexing-in coal mine operations during the year. ton: Benjamin W. Mears, Eastville: Sixty-five of them were fatal. ton: Benjamin W. Mears, Eastville; Charles R. McCoy, Lexington; W. B. Nutter, Claremont; Richard O. Palmer, Urban: L. S. Parsons, Norfolk: Ken neth C. Patty, Tazewell; Ben Paul Snyder, Norfolk; Goodman J. Walpert, Richmond; Vanny S. Ward, Roanoke; Joseph E. Williams, Alexandria, and Robert H. Wilson, Honaker.

cerns the trial of a young man the imagines he has killed a college mate in defending the good name of his in defending the good name of his St. Paul's Episcopal Church, in cele-II. S. Williams, of counsel for the defense, in a lengthy address, reviewed the field of evidence, pointing out what he referred to as the "little things" which the State had dragged into the jury in its alleged extreme effort to strengthen the case which he maind of the jury in its alleged extreme effort to strengthen the case which he maind of the jury in lits alleged extreme effort to strengthen the case which he maind the state recognized as weak.

The report that gained currency some months ago that important United States naval plans had been stolen from the British forces, and the overthrow of the Turk from that hallowed city. All of the hymns will be of especial appropriateness, and the rector, Rev. W. Russell Bowle, D. D., will preach give ing satisfaction to thousands upon thousands of cold and grippe sufferers your strengthen the case which he maind of the tast will be of especial appropriateness, and the rector, Rev. W. Russell Bowle, D. D., will preach give ing satisfaction to thousands of cold and grippe sufferers your strengthen the case which he maind of the tast will be of especial appropriateness, and the rector, Rev. W. Russell Bowle, D. D., will preach give in the subject. "The Religious Significance of the Fall of States naval plans had been stolen from the british forces, and the overthrow of the British forces.

Draws Usual Punishment. W. N. Tucker, colored, charged with violating the State prohibition law, was fined \$50 yesterday by a jury in the Hustings Court, and sentenced to thirty days in jail.

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plers of the local cotton compress, when tions of practical food conservation yet seen in Virginia is being placed at the eight enlisted men were aboard headquarters of the National League the the launch falled to heed the signals. No statement has been made by any of the navy men aboard the launch. A number of small boats went to the rescue of the investigation of the menual statement has been made by the statement has been made by any of the navy men aboard the launch. A number of small boats went to the rescue of the investigation of the statement has been made by any of the navy men aboard the statement has been made by any of the navy men aboard the launch. A number of small boats were to the rescue of the investigation of the statement has been made by the statement has been made by any of the navy men aboard the launch. A number of small boats were to the statement has been made by the statement has been made by any of the navy men aboard the launch. A number of small boats were to the statement has been made by the statement has been of the liner claims that he liner claims that he line shirt whistle several times, but launch failed to heed the signarded as amazing when it is considered that it represents the particle activities of groups of women the navy men aboard the A number of small boats to the rescue of the imperiled of the rescue of the imperiled of the construction of the constructio launch. A number of small boats went to the rescue of the imperiled men. Thomas J. Rose, second-class seaman, United States naval reserve, is known to be the missing man, and it is alworker in any Red Cross workroom in

Headquarters for the National League senior officer; Boatswain J. B. Mangum, in charge of the boat; Gunner A. B. Toerpe; Coxswain J. T. Hill and Seamen Henry W. Hayes, W. Y. Bass, C. O. Shaw and E. Manfalcone.

One of the men seriously the serious of the National League for Woman's Service will be found on the fourth floor of the Allison Building, where Mrs. W. W. Sale, State chairman, has her office. Mrs. Henry E. Baskerville is secretary of the league, and Mrs. Thomas L. Moore, treasurer.

seventy-seven countles of the State are

heavy tux.

Those burned and scalded were Bruce
Ross, W. Williams and E. Turnbull. All
ser enlisted men, and were stationed
aboard the tug. Hospital officials declined to say which one of the men
died this afternoon, but admitted that
the injuries of one had resulted in the injuries of one had resulted in shipping cards, it was realized that death. The three injured men were caught in the fireroom, but managed to make their escape. One was forced to jump overboard to extinguish his clothing. were put on exhibition.

but was promptly rescued.

There was considerable damage to the interior of the tug, but not of a sewater mark in popularity.

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William S. Hart at cotonial.

Thousands have enjoyed William S. Hart's splendid interpretation of the role of "Silent Bud" Marrs in "The Silent Man," the Colonial offering the story in State Are

The interior of the tug, but not of a serious act Camp Mc-Clellan, Fort Oglethorpe and Old Point. Weekly shipments will be made to Camp Lee. The surplus will be for sale all of next week beginning Monday. The proceeded of the sale of the canned fruit and vegetables will be used for a free wool fund and for materials for hospital supplies to be divided among the different chapters on a pro rata basis. a pro rata basis.

shows an increase in manufactured pro last year. There have been 224 addi tional manufacturing establishments in the State during the year. The coal production showed an increase of

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organizations are co-operating to make the membership drive a great success. All the members of the Rotary Club have enrolled under the Red Cross, as have the women of the Elena Social and Beneficial Society, an Italian organization. organization.

In addition to the addresses that are to be made at the performances in the local theaters next week by prominent professional and business men. Red Cross sildes will be shown at all the playhouses, including the moving-pic-ture theaters. Short speeches also will be made to the children in the schools. Reports received indicate that all the branches and auxiliaries of the Red Cross in the twelve counties under the ARFULLY BURNED

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IN FIRE ON NAVY TUG

Desides the cans and jars of every branches and auxiliaries of the Red fruit and vegetables, and barrels of appurisdiction of the Richmond chapter ples and potatoes. Donations from are working hard to children the cans and jars of every branches and auxiliaries of the Red fruit and vegetables, and barrels of appurisdiction of the Richmond chapter are working hard to obtain their quoties are Louisa, Coochiand, Cumber-land, Amelia, Chesterfield, Henrico Hanover, Caroline, King William, New

in the yard and dug a hole in the ground—his idea of play was to work at something.

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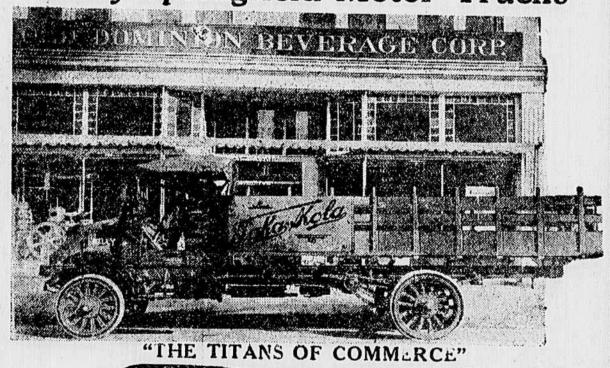
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